## **Praveer Sinha**

Praveer Sinha is the CEO & Managing Director of Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (TATA Power-DDL) a Public Private Partnership (Joint Venture) of Tata Power and Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi. The company has a registered customer base of 1.6 million and it reaches out to over 7 million consumers in North and North-West part of Delhi through its services.

Sinha has nearly 34 years of experience in Generation and Distribution sector. He has been responsible for developing and setting up Greenfield and Brownfield Power plants in India and abroad. Apart from this, he has actively contributed in bringing about huge socio-economic development and empowerment programs for youth and children in these project sites. Under the able leadership of Sinha, TATA Power-DDL has attained several benchmark performance levels such as 8.8% of AT&C Loss level with Average System Availability of 99.96%, consumer metering of 100% etc, which are the benchmark for Indian Utilities.

Sinha is also a strong votary of usage of technology and hence TATA Power-DDL has been a front runner in innovating and adopting several world class technologies including integrated Advanced Distribution Management System, Integrated GIS, Advance Metering Infrastructure including Smart metering and involving the convergence of Information technology, Smart Technology's and Smart Grid, etc. Under Sinha's leadership, TATA Power-DDL has also embarked upon its Solar Journey through the promotion of Distributed Energy resources including Roof Top solar projects, Energy Storage programs, Automated Demand Response and Electric Vehicle charging systems, applicable both in the Urban and rural environment.

Apart from ensuring operational excellence, Sinha is extremely passionate towards the inclusive growth of the society and has implemented numerous sustainability programs focusing on women empowerment, skill development for youth and children, which has resulted in the multifold increase in the number of beneficiaries to nearly 7 lakh people in the National Capital. Sinha is actively involved in interfacing with key stakeholders for the sectorial sustenance. He is also a member of prominent committees for reforms in Power Sector like 'Committee on Financial Viability and Restructuring of Discoms' and 'Committee to Review the National Electricity Policy', Member of the Apex Committee on National Smart Grid Mission, etc. He has been unanimously elected as the Chairman and Director of the Smart Utilities Group (SUG) and an India Smart Grid Forum respectively, which promotes the Vision, Direction and Focus to address challenges in improving the performance of Distribution Utilities by adoption, assimilation and deployment of state-of-the-art technologies which are scalable in the Indian context. He is also a member of the Board of Governors for Management Institute "Faculty of Management Studies", Delhi University and Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi (IIITD). He has been awarded for his Outstanding contribution in Power Distribution Sector by Central Board for Irrigation & Power (CBIP).

Sinha holds a Master's Degree in Business Law from National Law School, Bengaluru and is also professionally trained as an Electrical Engineer. He is presently a Research Scholar at Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi and a visiting Scholar at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, USA.